

Subject: FW: Questions with related to next steps for Ecology Action projects included in the Water Energy Grant Funding Recommendations List

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Subject: FW: Draft Funding Recommendations for the 2016 Water-Energy Grant Program

Hello Water Energy Grant Team,

Here at Ecology Action we are thrilled and grateful to find both our WaterLink proposals on the “Recommended for Funding” side of the funding line in the Draft Funding Guidelines. The timing could not be more perfect to showcase how our California state agencies are leading the way on social justice and climate solutions through funding local on the ground program delivery.

We look forward to attending the public comment meeting tomorrow and I hope to meet some of you there.

Questions:

Because the both the PSP and our proposal call for a March 1, 2017 start date for our projects, we are anxious to start planning and prep as much as possible, while acknowledging the funding decisions are not final. We have the following questions that would help us start thinking about planning horizons:

- The public comment period on the funding recommendations and long term monitoring goes through February 14th. What are the steps and timeline after that to finalize the funding decisions?
- Once the funding decision is final, what is the anticipated contracting timeline?
- Is it possible for the project to have an effective start date of March 1, 2017 (after which incurred expenses are reimbursable under the grant award contract) even if contracting is not completed until a later date?
- Will the state want grantees to use the actual excel calculator to generate outcome reports for progress and final reporting or can we utilize our own program databases to generate the same information?

Thank you very much for helping us consider preparing for a fast launch on this exciting project. I hope the transition from evaluation of proposals to implementation of this program goes smoothly for you.

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Subject: Draft Funding Recommendations for the 2016 Water-Energy Grant Program

Dear Interested Party,

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) announces the Draft Funding Recommendations for the 2016 Water-Energy Grant Program.

The Draft Funding Recommendations are posted at the following link:

<http://www.water.ca.gov/waterenergygrant/awards.cfm>

DWR will accept public comments on the Draft Funding Recommendations and two options for post project monitoring, between January 31 and February 14, 2017. Additionally, DWR will hold a public meeting to receive comments on February 8th at 10 am in Sacramento. This meeting will also be available via WebEx. More information about how to submit comments or participate in the public meeting is available at the following link:

<http://www.water.ca.gov/waterenergygrant/publiccomments.cfm>

If you have any questions, please e-mail DWR_IRWM@water.ca.gov.



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